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## To: Members of the Council on Transportation and all Delaware Residents:

I am pleased to enclose the Delaware Department of Transportation's (DelDOT) proposed Draft Capital Transportation Program (CTP) for Fiscal Years 2008-2013. This program is consistent with DelDOT's mission to provide a safe, efficient, and environmentally sensitive transportation network that offers a variety of convenient and cost-effective choices for the movement of people and goods.

As part of DelDOT's efforts to provide information that is easily understood by the residents of Delaware, the program is grouped into four major funding categories:

- Road System Improvements to the state's roads and bridges;
- Grants and Allocations Includes Municipal Street Aid funds used by all 57 municipalities for a variety of maintenance work, and the Community Transportation Fund, which is allocated by legislators for various projects in their districts.
- Transit System Investments in transit services including buses, train stock, maintenance and other facilities, transit shelters, and other assets supporting all modes of operation.
- Support Systems All other investments to the transportation network including facilities, equipment, information systems, etc.

This CTP lists projects and services we are already working on, and has been developed with the assistance of the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO), Dover/Kent Metropolitan Planning Organization and Sussex County. It recognizes the priorities they have set in their respective 4-year transportation improvement programs. In addition, we held public hearings in September to gather public comment and to get a better sense of local and statewide multi-modal priorities.

The proposed Draft CTP, however, is dependent on the General Assembly's approval of a revenue package proposed by Governor Ruth Ann Minner. Without new revenues, many projects and services will be unfunded.

I thank you for your time and please do not hesitate to contact us with your thoughts. Additional information on the proposal is available at the DelDOT Web site, <a href="www.deldot.gov">www.deldot.gov</a>. Also, you may contact Darrel Cole, Director of Public Relations, if you have any specific questions at 302-760-2080

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